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Housing Working Committee Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2009

Offices of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)

Cook County Conference Room

Suite 800, 233 S. Wacker Drive, Sears Tower, Chicago, Illinois

Members Present: Paul Colgan, Beth Dever, Nancy Firfer, Adam Gross, Calvin Holmes,

Alan Quick, Andrea Traudt, Linda Young, Lisa Tapper, Stacie Young

Staff Present: Lee Deuben, Erin Aleman, Ylda Pineyro, Russ Patronsky

Others Present: Anne Evens (Center for Neighborhood Technology), Eleazar Vazquez

(The Resurrection Project)

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 by committee Chair, Adam Gross

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

Paul Colgan announced that he is no longer employed with the Attainable Housing Alliance.

Lee Deuben provided the committee a brief update on the omission of the Regional Comprehensive Fund from the State Budget for Fiscal 2010. She encouraged housing committee members to communicate with their State Representatives the importance of this funding for CMAP and regional planning.

Lee Deuben announced the release of the RTA's funding programs. She encouraged committee members to pass the information in the RTA brochure to municipalities and other interested parties.

Lee Deuben reminded committee members of CMAP's FLIP event to be held on April 23rd, at the Adler planetarium.

Item 8.0 was moved forward to 5.0 Item 7.0 was moved to follow 5.0

3.0 Approval of Minutes – March 19, 2009 Housing Committee Meeting

A call for a motion to approve the minutes of the Marchhousing committee, as presented, and a motion was made by Nancy Firfer and seconded Paul Colgan. All in favor the motion carried.

4.0 Report Back from Programming Committee Meeting: Beth Dever

Beth Dever announced that public comments and staff recommendations for Developments of Regional Importance were reviewed and approved by the programming committee to move forward to the Board for approval in May, 2009. She mentioned that there were two substantial changes from the previous DRI proposal which included decreasing the number of thresholds from two to one, and a provision to asses projects within 100 yards of critical streams.

5.0 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Weatherization Program: Anne Evens, Center for Neighborhood Technology

Anne Evens provided an overview of two weatherization programs: CNT's weatherization which focuses on multi-family properties, and CEDA's weatherization which targets single-family homes and a recipient of a large sum of ARRA dollars. She explained how each program works and detailed how CEDA and other community actions agencies will expand as part of ARRA's weatherization program funds. She went into further detail about opportunities to assist CEDA in identifying income qualifying multi-family homes as a means to target and expend these funds in a strategic and timely manner. She also provided the committee an overview of a new program under ARRA, the Energy Efficiency Block Grant funds. She explained that this money will be allocated to jurisdictions on a formula basis and that each recipient must devise a energy conservation plan before receiving funding. She suggested that municipalities may need some technical assistance in building such a plan and that a report that CNT is working on with CMAP on Energy might help to guide some of this planning. Ms. Evens also mentioned that this program has numerous eligible uses and that there is potential in gathering participating jurisdictions together to discuss strategies that will have the greatest impact and return. Calvin Holmes stated that the Chicago Community Loan Fund has produced material son energy conservation that could be utilized. Lee Deuben suggested that CNT, CCLF and CMAP could probably collaborate on working with municipalities to determine appropriate strategies. Nora Boyer, commented that this would be a good resource for municipalities. Finally, Ms. Evens provided some information on the State Energy Program as part of ARRA and the potential for coordination in this area as well.

6.0 Update on CMAP Outreach Activities: Erin Aleman and Ylda Pineryro

Erin Aleman and Ylda Pineyro provided the housing committee with a brief presentation on CMAP's planned outreach activities for the coming summer. Ms. Aleman and Pineyro

discussed the *GO TO 2040* design workshops, the interactive scenario kiosks, and summer outreach events that CMAP will be partaking in.

7.0 Update on Foreclosure Legislative Activity: Adam Gross

Adam Grossed quickly recapped the intent of SB2101 and provided the committee with a status to date. Mr. Gross mentioned that the house bill passed with a vote of 112-2 however, the Senate bill got hung up in the committee. Mr. Gross said that they are very optimistic, however, that a strong version of the bill will get through the legislature this session.

8.0 GO TO 2040 Evaluation Measures for Major Capital Projects: Ross Patronsky

Ross Patronsky provided the committee a brief overview of a draft document for capital projects evaluation measures. Mr. Patronsky stressed that this document would apply to fiscally constrained capital projects and that they would be based a predefined set of criteria. He mentioned that he list is currently open for public comment and encouraged feedback from housing committee members.

9.0 Foreclosure Initiatives and Neighborhood Stabilization Program Beth Dever provided the committee an update on the status of the IDHS's NSP program. Ms. Dever mentioned that applications are due to DHS by May 4.

Other Comments

There were no other comments

10.0 Public Comment

There were no public comments.

11.0 Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Housing Working Committee is Thursday, May 21 2009 at 9:00 am in the CMAP offices.

4.0 Adjournment

A call for a motion to adjourn was made and a motion was made by Paul Colgan and seconded by Andrea Traudt. All in favor the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Deuben